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TOPIC Establishment of Military Subdistrict Headquarters in Czechoslovakia

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REMARKS _____

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1. a. New military administrative subdistricts, corresponding to the civil administrative districts set up in early 1949, were established in the summer of 1949.

b. Military subdistrict headquarters ("Krejske vojenske vitel-stvi") had been set up at the 19 seats of the civil administrative districts in September 1949. The new military sub-district headquarters were located in the following towns:

KARLOVY VARY (N 51/P 69), USTI NAD LABEM (N 51/P 44), LIBEREC (O 51/G 16), PILSEN (N 50/L 04), PRAHA, HRADEC KRALOVE (O 51/G 71), CLESKA BULEJOVICE (O 49/Q 96), JIHlava (O 50/M 61), PARDUBICE (O 51/X 79), BRNO (P 50/N 40), OLOMOUC (P 50/N 85), OSTRAVA (P 50/O 59), GOTTWALDOV (P 50/O 21), BRATISLAVA (P 49/X 99), ZILINA (Q 50/O 92), NITRA (P 49/T 62), BANSKA BYSTRICA (Q 49/C 76), KOSICE (R 49/E 34), and PRESOV (R 49/E 37).
2. The military subdistrict headquarters had the following missions:

a. Handling of military post affairs in the respective area.

b. Recruiting and replacement matters (the previous recruiting offices had been amalgamated into military subdistrict recruiting offices which were subordinate to the military sub-district headquarters).

c. Registration of horses (VEK - Vojenska evidence konstva).

d. Registration of motor vehicles (VENV - Vojenska evidence motorovych vozidel).
3. The chiefs of the new military subdistrict headquarters were supposed to be generals or colonels. The following officers were known:

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- a. Col Alois ZIAK, chief of the KOSICE military subdistrict headquarters.
- b. Lt Col Vadinir BALCAN, chief of the PRESOV military subdistrict headquarters.
- c. Col Pavel NARCELY, chief of the BRATISLAVA military subdistrict headquarters.

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Comment:

- a. The new subdivision of Czechoslovakia into military subdistricts corresponds with that of civil administrative districts.* The military subdistrict headquarters are believed to be military administration agencies controlling recruiting, replacement and administrative affairs of military posts.
- b. The alleged disbanding of the corps was repeatedly reported [redacted] but was not definitely confirmed. Another report still listed all previously known corps. ** A newspaper of July 1949 published an article in which General MARKUS was mentioned as having attended a military celebration in TRNAVA, area of TRENCIN. It was concluded that General MARKUS was still CG of the V Corps, TRENCIN, at that time.

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